Pending irrigation projects

†4294. SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government has taken any step to approve irrigation projects of different States lying pending with them;

(b) if so, the details thereof as on date and the reasons causing delay therein; and

(c) by when the country's pending irrigation projects are proposed to be approved, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV): (a) to (c) The irrigation projects on inter-state rivers are techno-economically appraised by the Central Water Commission and other central appraising agencies and are subsequently put up to the Advisory Committee of Ministry of Water Resources on Irrigation, Flood Control & Multipurpose Projects for acceptance which is followed up by the investment clearance from the Planning Commission.

Of the 181 new irrigation project proposals comprising of 100 major and 81 medium projects which have been received from State Governments, 116 projects comprising of 63 major and 53 medium projects are under various stages of appraisal and 65 projects comprising of 37 major and 28 medium have been techno-economically accepted by the Advisory Committee on Irrigation, Flood Control & Multipurpose Projects of the Ministry of Water Resources. State-wise abstract of these projects is given the Statement (*See* below). The time taken for clearance/approval of the project proposals depends upon the promptness with which State Governments arrange satisfactory response to the observations of Central Appraising Agencies.

Statement

State-wise Abstract of new Projects

As on 15.04 2008

Sl. No.	States	Major			Medium			Total		
		A	B	Total	A	B	Total	A	B	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1.	Andhra Pradesh	8	3	11	2	6	8	10	9	19
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	1	—	1	1	—	1	2	—	2
3.	Assam	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4.	Bihar	2	1	3	—	—	—	2	1	03
5.	Chhattisgarh	4	—	4	—	—	—	4	—	04
6.	Goa, Daman & Diu	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7.	Gujarat	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8.	Haryana	4	2	6	1	—	1	5	2	07
9.	Himachal Pradesh	—	1	1	2	—	2	2	1	03

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	—	—	—	3	4	7	3	4	7
11.	Jharkhand	4	4	8	1	—	1	5	4	09
12.	Karnataka	4	2	6	5	1	6	9	3	12
13.	Kerala	1	1	2	1	1	2	2	2	04
14.	Madhya Pradesh	5	2	7	—	—	—	5	2	7
15.	Maharashtra	12	3	15	25	3	28	37	6	43
16.	Manipur	—	1	1	—	1	1	—	2	02
17.	Meghalaya	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18.	Nagaland	1	—	1	—	1	1	1	1	02
19.	Orissa	3	4	7	7	6	13	10	10	20
20.	Punjab	4	2	6	1	1	2	5	3	08
21.	Rajasthan	3	4	7	3	3	6	6	7	13
22.	Sikkim	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
23.	Tamil Nadu	—	1	1	—	1	1	—	2	02
24.	Tripura	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25.	Uttar Pradesh	5	6	11	1	—	1	6	6	12
26.	Uttaranchal	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	01
27.	West Bengal	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	1
	GRAND TOTAL:	63	37	100	53	28	81	116	65	181

A-Project under various stages of appraisal.

B-Accepted by the Advisory Committee of MOWR subject to certain observations.

Scheme for anti-sea erosion works in Maharashtra

4295. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the State Government of Maharashtra has been awaiting for a long time, the grant of Central assistance for National Coastal Protection Project under Port Development Scheme for anti-sea erosion works;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for delay in decision thereon; and

(c) by when a final decision in the matter is expected?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV): (a) to (c) Water being a State subject, works for anti-erosion measures are taken up by the respective State Governments from their own resources and according to their own priorities. However, realizing the severity of sea-erosion problems in certain critical reaches of the coastal line and on the recommendation of National Coastal Advisory Committee, a proposal for National Coastal Protection Project (NCPP) was conceived with a view to seek external funding. Accordingly, an approach paper was prepared and on the basis of details received from various maritime States and sent to Planning Commission in July 2004 in this regard.